

KEAFCS Board Meeting
February 27, 2012

Call to Order/Roll

President Linda Beech called the conference call meeting of the KEAFCS board to order at 10:35 am. Other members on the call were Deb Wood, Jamie Rathbun, Cindy Evans, Robin Eubank, Linda Beech, Kylie Ludwig, Ethel Schneeweis, Belinda Oldham and Donna Krug.

Minutes

Belinda moved to approve minutes of the December 12 board meeting convened by conference call. Ethel seconded; motion passed.

Communications

Linda shared a letter from the North Central Region asking KEAFCS to make a donation in support of the North Central Region Volunteer Forum in October. She would like the board to discuss this under new business so we can take a recommendation to the full group next week.

Treasurer's Report

Belinda shared our 2012 proposed budget to date and an updated membership list. The checking account has a balance of \$4,645.42 and our two CDs total a net worth of \$19,102.41 . She moved the 12 month CD into savings. A 6-month CD will renew in August.

Belinda will send an e-mail to the five persons who were KEAFCS members last year but have not joined the association this year. (Nicole Burnett, Jill Deters, Leah Robinson, Nancy Schuster, Lisa Friesen) Also, Deb Sellers and Margaret Phillips did not pay dues this year.

Belinda talked about what she needs from members. Membership – go online and print off, then give her a copy. She will print a copy of what it looks like when you print it off online.

Reports of officers:

President, Linda Beech – is trying to pass along information from NEAFCS as she receives it. Trying to keep communication open with the board as well as K-State administration. She asked if anyone on the board had seen the monthly report from K-State Research and Extension that is sent to President Schultz. Linda attached a copy of the February 2012 report for our review. She talked to Gary Peirzynski at February Update to ask how to get more FACS information in this report. He made a contact to KSU Communications to get more information. Linda suggested that in addition to sending information to Gary we should also send success stories to Kris Boone, Gloria Holcome and/or Elaine Edwards with a cc to Marie Blythe.

The report only appears on our K-State Research & Extension homepage for a few days when it is first printed. She will involve Paula Peters to see if we can coordinate with the PFTs to report success stories/outcomes in different months to the Department of Communications.

Nancy Honig, President-Elect – sent a summary report from her JCEP experience.

Treasurer – Belinda – Needs to talk about dues under old business.

VP of Awards & Rec – Three applications were received for the Distinguished Service Award. (Can award 2) and 1 for continued excellence. No communication or program awards were submitted.

VP of Member Resources – Christine McPheter – No applications were received for the first timer's award; One nomination for Friend of Extension FACS – Karen Blakeslee.

VP of Public Relations and Marketing– Tara Solomon – A state report was sent to national; Kylie Ludwig will report about marketing under old business.

Linda forwarded information about new agent training to Kathy Tharman and Donna Krug. She asked if either was planning to attend the lunch on March 7th. Kathy and Donna will share the responsibility; If there are no new FACS agents, we may not work as hard to have someone there on March 7th. Kathy will find out.

Ethel – reminding people of the NEAFCS webinar on March 27th webinar on NEAFCS "Put Some Interest with Pinterest in Your Programs. How to Use Pinterest & Other HOT Forms of Social Media to Promote Extension Programming." If you can't participate that day it will be archived on the NEAFCS web site along with other webinars from 2010 and 2011.

Area Counselors

SW Andrea Wood – Has been working on Friendship Night – forming committees

SE Kylie Ludwig – 23 people are registered in the KEAFCS Field Day; Everything is set up and ready to go.

NW Jamie Rathbun – No report

NE – Kathy Tharman – no report

Operational Committees

Audit - no report

Budget – no report

Constitution, By-Laws – Nancy Honig – We will discuss the committee suggestions regarding dues changes/additions for retirees and students under old business.

Program of Work Committees

*Under VP of Member Resources – No reports from any committee chairpersons

*Under VP of Awards and Recognition – No reports

*Under VP of Public Relations & Marketing

*Under VP of Professional Development

United Association Conference– Ethel Schneweis is making final arrangements with caterers. Caterers will provide a wait staff for bussing tables at no further charge. Would pad meal count by 5%; needs meal count by March 2. Ethel discussed the meals: taco bar on Thursday and Italian on Friday. We can set up whenever we need them. \$10 per day delivery; Ethel needs help getting refreshments set out. No deposit needed; United Association will pay for it. Budgeted \$10 a meal (including snacks) and are still within budget.

KEAFCS brochure ofr UAC packets --Tara has the most current version of the KEAFCS marketing brochure. The conference committee is stuffing packets at 8:30 on Wednesday night. Need 130 copies of the brochure to go in the packets.

Webmaster Robin Eubank – Send things to Robin to put online. Robin asked Tara to send the marketing brochure to be placed on the website.

Liaisons

KAFCE– Christine said State FCE President Mary Jane Adams has her name as well as Deanna Sweat and will contact them if needed.

State 4-H Family & Consumer Science Advisory – meets by phone March 1; it is an inactive entity at this point. They are on the State 4-H Action Team

Old Business

March 7th Field Day – no further report

Student Dues and Kansas Lifetime Dues– Belinda reported for the committee. She said they first needed to clarify “*What are the lifetime Kansas dues?*” Our current policy says it’s a “one time \$20 annual fee.” That is very confusing, so the committee recommends a one-time payment using three times the annual dues.” This would only be available at retirement.

If someone is a national lifetime member, does it cover Kansas lifetime dues as well? In the past, if they paid national lifetime dues, that included them in Kansas and they did not have to pay Kansas dues. At this time the Kansas dues is \$30, so three times would be \$90 for lifetime membership of Kansas dues only. If someone wishes to be a national lifetime member, those dues are currently \$90, so three times the national dues would be \$270, and would include being a Kansas lifetime member as well.

This would entail a bylaws change so we would need to vote on changing the bylaws at the March 8th association meeting.

Student Dues – Student membership in NEAFCS is one-half the dues for regular members, so one-half of \$90 (current NEAFCS dues) would be \$45. Kansas dues for students is recommended at \$15, which is half of our current \$30 dues. So, a student wishing to be a state and national member of NEAFCS/KEAFCS would pay \$60.

There was discussion about whether to offer a student Kansas membership without a national membership. Robin was hesitant to make it state only if the regular agents can’t join state only.

The committee will present the bylaws change with two new dues categories for the membership to vote on at Spring Association meeting next week. Linda will work with Belinda to get it e-mailed to the membership today so they have a 10-day period for review as our by-laws require.

The call was ended early due to technical difficulties. The rest of the business will be discussed at the Association meeting March 8th.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Evans
KEAFCS Secretary

